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Applicant : Maurice H. Tremblay et al. Art Unit : 1723
Serial No. : 09/932,203 Examiner : Matthew O. Savage
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In reply to the action mailed March 12, 2003, please amend the application as indicated on the following pages. Applicants submit that, in view of the amendment to the claims and the remarks contained on the following sheets, a total of 5 pages, the application is now in condition to be allowed. Early favorable action is solicited.

Enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time with a check for \$345.00 in payment of the required fees for extension and additional claims. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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